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REPORT ON PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH

On June 18, 2007, your Board instructed the Directors of Health Services and Mental Health to present a full report in 30 days, in writing and in public session, on the Departments' plans with regard to mental health services in our public hospitals and the current status of psychiatric emergency services in County facilities. We had previously requested a one-month extension to August 21, 2007, in order to complete our discussions with both Departments and to prepare our report.

We now find that we will require an additional extension in order to complete our analysis of the psychiatric services provided by County facilities, as well as the proposed implementation of a Department of Mental Health (DMH) Urgent Care Center (UCC) at the Los Angeles County + University of Southern California (LAC+USC) Medical Center and the proposed transfer of outpatient mental health services at LAC+USC from the Department of Health Services to DMH. While we have met with both Departments in the past 30 days, several operational and timing issues were raised in our discussions on the UCC and outpatient transfer which remain to be addressed.

We anticipate providing your Board with our written report by October 5, 2007 and placing this item for discussion on your Board's October 16, 2007 agenda.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Sheila Shima, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Health and Mental Health Services, at (213) 974-1160.

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